

WASHINGTON STATE DENTAL HYGIENE EXAMINING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pete Fox, Public Member, Chairperson
Judy Morrison, RDH
Joella Pyatt, RDH

STAFF PRESENT: Vicki Brown, Program Manager 3
Joy King, Director
Jennifer Bressi, Program Manager 1
Sandra Adix, Assistant Attorney General

OTHERS PRESENT: Colleen Gaylord, RDH, Washington State Dental
Hygienists' Association
Melissa Johnson, Lobbyist, Washington State Dental
Hygienists' Association

The Dental Hygiene Examining Committee met at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 28, 2005, at the Red Lion Hotel, Cascade Room, 18220 International Blvd., Seattle, WA 98188.

ITEMS ON AGENDA

OPEN SESSION – 9:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Pete Fox, Public Member, Chairperson.

A. Approval of Agenda

The October 28, 2005 agenda was approved as amended. Under Closed Session Item 17 Substantively Equivalent Licensing Standards of Other States and Regional Testing Agencies was moved to be under Item 11 Possible Rules for Limited License.

B. Approval of August 26, 2005 Meeting Minutes

The August 26, 2005 minutes were approved as amended. Under Item 5, last paragraph and last sentence, the word accept was replaced with except.

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER, STAFF AND AUDIENCE

The committee was informed that the newest member to the Dental Hygiene Examining Committee is Corinne Boes from Chewelah. Due to a previous engagement, Ms. Boes was unable to attend this meeting. Ms. Boes will be introduced at the February 10, 2006 in Tumwater, WA.

3. LIST OF MEETINGS FOR DENTAL HYGIENE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

As the new member to the committee was not available at this meeting, it is to be added to the next agenda. There were brief discussions on the following:

The committee discussed a few of the meetings that are held each year for members. The audience stated that April, 2006 is the Washington State Dental Hygiene Association (WSDHA) symposium. WSDHA's House of Delegates meets in November.

Ms. Pyatt proposed sending the representative to the American Association of Dental Examiners (AADE) to the mid-year meeting in March instead of to the yearly meeting in October. The committee will review a future agenda to see what topics are covered at the mid-year meeting.

**4. WASHINGTON STATE DENTAL HYGIENE ASSOCIATION (WSDHA)
SURVEY PREPARED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**

Ms. Gaylord had a copy of the preliminary data prepared by the University of Washington. A copy was provided to staff and requested to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

**5. INFORMATION ON PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION
SERVICES (PBIS)**

The committee was presented with additional information regarding the services that PBIS provide. PBIS policy is that they are not liable or responsible for any information or misinformation in their report. The committee discussed the services that PBIS could provide. If an applicant did not take the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) exams or the Central Regional Dental Testing Services, Inc. (CRDTS) exam would PBIS be able to evaluate the other state or regional exams to determine if they are substantively equivalent.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER EDUCATION

Ms. Adix presented the committee members with a binder of information that will help them make decisions. The binder includes the Open Public Meetings Act, executive ethics material, and relevant laws and rules. Ms. Adix recommended that the committee should review the Open Public Meetings Act once or twice a year.

7. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Central Regional Dental Testing Services, (CRDTS) Inc. – Joella Pyatt, RDH

See attached report.

8. 2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

Ms. Bressi provided the committee with a proposed meeting schedule for 2006. The meeting scheduled for November 10, 2006 has been changed to November 17, 2006 at SeaTac.

9. WESTERN REGIONAL EXAMINING BOARD (WREB) BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPRESENTATIVE FOR AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 2005

The committee was to discuss the new WREB Board of Directors representative that was effective October 1, 2005 but the new member was not present. The committee decision was to have Ms. Pyatt attend the meeting in January, 2006.

10. OREGON'S DENTAL HYGIENE RULE CHANGES

The changes to Oregon's dental hygiene rules were given to the committee for their information. Oregon now accepts all exams.

11. POSSIBLE RULES FOR LIMITED LICENSE

The committee requested staff to look at the data on limited licenses. The data will include the number of applicants that are entering Washington that do not have a substantively equivalent examination for patient evaluation/prophylaxis.

Staff is to make the changes to our online substantively equivalent licensing survey. After the changes have been made, the survey is to be emailed to all states asking for a response. If the other state(s) are interested, we will send them a copy of our completed survey.

This item is to be on the next agenda

12. REVIEW OF EXPANDED FUNCTION EDUCATION COURSES RULES

Ms. Gaylord informed the members that the dental hygiene programs only had to show the difference between the regular anesthesia/nitrous oxide program and the expanded function education course they were requesting approval for. Staff was requested to take a closer look at the expanded function education course(s) rules and where they would need to be corrected.

13. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT REPORT

A. Budget

Ms. Brown reviewed the September, 2005 interim operating report with the committee members. It was noted that this report was not complete as the service unit allotment and expenditure have not been added.

B. Licensing and Disciplinary Statistics

The committee was presented an update of the licensing and disciplinary statistics for the period of August 9, 2005 to October 11, 2005.

14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following items will be added to the next agenda:

- Introduction of new committee member
- List of meetings for dental hygiene committee members
- Washington State Dental Hygienists' Association (WSDHA) Survey Prepared by the University of Washington
- National Examination Update
- Information on Professional Background Information Services
- Possible rules for limited license
- Budget
- Licensing and Disciplinary Statistics
- Miscellaneous Reports
 - Western Regional Examining Board (WREB) Board of Directors meeting
 - Joella Pyatt, RDH

15. CONSENT AGENDA CORRESPONDENCE

The following items and any additional correspondence received or sent is for the committee's information. If separate discussion is desired on an item, a single motion by a committee member will place the specific item(s) on the regular business. Otherwise, there will be no discussion of these items.

There was no additional correspondence.

16. OTHER OPEN SESSION BUSINESS

The committee requested to receive a copy of any/all dental hygiene scope of practice letters that the Dental Quality Assurance Commission receives.

CLOSED SESSION – UPON COMPLETION OF OPEN SESSION BUSINESS – 12:10 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

17. SUBSTANTIVELY EQUIVALENT LICENSING STANDARDS OF OTHER STATES AND REGIONAL TESTING AGENCIES

This agenda item was moved from Closed Session to Open Session under Item number 11 Possible Rules for Limited License.

18. JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

The committee and staff met with Kathleen Brown, CDA, RDA, BES, Assistant Director, Test Administration and Recertification, from the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) to review questions in preparation for the Dental Hygiene drug and law exam effective on January 1, 2006.

OPEN SESSION – UPON COMPLETION OF CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS

19. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. on Friday, October 28, 2005.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Approved By:

Vicki L. Brown, Program Manager

Pete Fox, Chairperson, Public Member